

Forge and fire

Alpine blacksmiths creating
works of art with iron, heat

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ALPINE — When Rodger Graham gets ready to create a masterpiece, he doesn't pull out the paints and brushes.

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ng stories over dinner is a
ive a good time. It takes off
pressure."

ated a few men she hit it off
he table, but so far, nobody
se to persuading her to book
cruise for two.

ne cookie necklace that she
her neck sums up her out-
life. "Experience is what
you didn't get what you want-
Holly clasps the fortune in
smiles. "After 25 years of
ays, "I know it's the truth."

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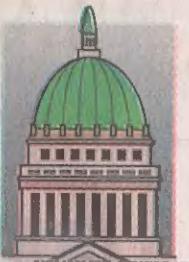
More than 310 service
hours were logged during the
project, all of which will be
donated to the American Fork
Community Literacy Center's
fund-raiser. Donors will give vol-
unteers \$1 for every hour of
community service rendered.

"I'm very pleased with how
the whole day went," said
Assistant Principal Jim Young.
"We had good support from

may put halt to road work

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Transportation
planners are in the
fast lane when it
comes to getting Utah
County road projects
off the ground
because come this
August air pollution
woes will bring new
road construction to a

Wednesday that treasured pieces
of him lived on. But not only in
hearts and minds where the Seuses
will carry the memory of 23½ years
with their beloved "child" and
partner.

But Bart will live on in the flesh,
fur and high-spirited antics of a
cub who had gone by the name of
Hoss, since the Seuses recently
adopted him and his sister, Honey,
after their mother was killed by an
Alaskan hunter.

think of the absolute blessings of
sharing his life with our own. It was
miraculous, the things he accom-
plished."

A paramount achievement to the
Seuses is how Bart enabled them
to start Vital Ground, the Park City-
based foundation devoted to pre-
serving bear and other wildlife
habitat.

The family is grateful that the
week Bart died, Vital Ground pur-
chased two ~~Alaskan~~ ^{Vital} Island parcels

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"Bart the Bear" nuzzles owner/trainer Doug Seus at their Heber

for his wild brothers and sisters."

The purchases were 145 acres on
Sturgeon Lagoon on the east side of
Kodiak and 25 acres at Uyak Bay in
the north.

"It's not how much land but how
important it was," Doug said. "The
larger piece is major duck-nesting
habitat, which they were going to

mal cancer clinic at
University.

Through the effort
there, plus lots of lov-
e medicine, the Se
able to keep Bart with
another year in his b
coma.

Finally, after Bart

Mark Schramm, blacksmith at Harmony Forge in Alpine, creates metal flower. Workers make everything by hand.



manship in the international metalcraft competition
14 international awards given for outstanding crafts-
shop — called Harmony Forge — has won two of the
His peers seem to agree. Graham's blacksmith
2200 degrees."

"Everybody forges a little different," said Graham,
an Alpine blacksmith and artist. "I forge well at
2200 degrees. Then, he picks up a hammer and a

chisel.
He fires up the forge and heats a piece of iron to
2200 degrees. Then, he picks up a hammer and a

material ranging from old homes to old industrial buildings.

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